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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Plains Unit, is in the process of planning a timber sale. The proposed project is called Lower McCully Timber Sale and is located in the Thompson River drainage area, approximately 20 air miles Northwest of Plains, Montana on Section 14, Township 23 North, Range 27 West. If approved, this sale would likely sell in the spring of 2014 and is projected to produce approximately 3 million board feet of sawlog volume.

The sale area is being considered to generate revenue for the Public Buildings (PB) Trust Fund, to improve forest health by reducing the possibility of insect and disease activity, to reduce excessive fuel loading and the related risk of wildfire and to reestablish and promote timber types historically found in the area. The sale is in the earliest stages of planning, but will most likely involve shelterwood, selective and regenerative harvest with ground based and cable logging systems. The project may include some new road construction, road reconstruction and reconditioning and improvements to existing closures.

As an adjacent landowner or interested party, we request your input regarding this project. Your concerns and comments are needed to assist the DNRC in planning, analyzing, and implementing this project. We would appreciate your response by Friday, May 3, 2013 so that we may incorporate it into our planning process. Please send your comments to the address below or phone at 406-826-4723.

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